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Businesses call for better rail connectivity



Monster who raped schoolgirl jailed for 14 years



Edna Adam celebrates her milestone birthday

**‘Dancing Queen’
Edna celebrates
100th birthday**

A RESIDENT of Stocks Hall, Ormskirk has marked a milestone birthday.

Staff and residents at the Nursery Avenue venue helped celebrate Edna Adam's special day on Good Friday.

A spokesperson for Stocks Hall Ormskirk said: "Our Dancing Queen has gracefully reached her 100th birthday and we were grateful to help her celebrate in style and give her the most special day she deserves.

"Edna had a delicious and beautiful birthday cake made by our very own second chef, Nicky and what a wonderful job she did!"

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT CLOSED FACTORY SITE SET FOR GO-AHEAD

Proposals to demolish former bulk tanker plant to build houses set to be approved

Report by **Henry James**

PLANS to build more than 50 homes on the site of a closed factory in Burscough have been recommended to be approved - despite flooding concerns.

Proposals have been put to West Lancashire Borough Council to demolish the former Universal Bulk Handling Ltd buildings at Orrell Lane and build 54 properties on the site.

Prospect GB (Ltd) and Baxi Partnership Ltd is the applicant behind the development.

The application came before the borough council's planning committee on March 17, but was deferred to obtain further comments from the Highway Authority and to allow the applicant to reconsider pedestrian links with Orrell Lane.

A decision is due to be made tomorrow (Thursday, April 21).

Burscough Town Council has concerns about the risk of flooding with the development and members say they were not formally consulted over the pro-



The Universal Bulk Handling Ltd site when it was open and (inset), the development design

posals. The town council is also concerned about the extra traffic travelling down Orrell Lane to access the A59 Liverpool Road.

Burscough Flooding Group members claim that the development of the site will bring additional water to an area which suffers serious and frequent flooding.

Officers at West Lancashire Borough Council are in favour of the proposals. Heidi McDougall, corporate director of place and community at the council, wrote in favour of the application in planning documents for this week's meeting.

She stated: "This site is previously developed land

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Lancashire Violence Reduction Network to continue after £5m grant secured

Report by **Henry James**

LANCASHIRE Violence Reduction Network is set to receive government funding of £5m to enable it to continue for the next three years.

The group is a collaboration across public sector agencies that works to reduce serious violence across the county.

The funding, secured through the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, coincides with the Government publishing an evaluation of Violence Reduction Unit performance which shows that they are starting to have a positive impact in reducing violent crime.

Lancashire Violence Reduction Network was one of the original 18 Violence Reduction Units pioneering a new approach that brings together local partners in policing, education, health, and local government, to deepen understanding of the root causes of violence and put interventions in place.

Lancashire Constabulary's chief constable Chris Rowley said: "As Lancashire Violence Reduction Network enters its fourth year, we hope today's promise of continued funding will reassure the people across Lancashire that we will never let up in our efforts to keep them safe."

Initiatives facilitated by Lancashire Violence Reduction Network include coaching programmes to reduce reoffending and improving the life chances of young people, knife crime education



Lancashire Constabulary's chief constable, **Chris Rowley**

and prevention activity including the Knife Angel visit to Lancashire in November 2021, and work to bring trauma-informed practice into public services, called Trauma Informed Lancashire.

Other programmes sponsored assist in building parenting skills and emotional resilience.

The Emergency Department Navigator programme is now available in all emergency departments across Lancashire. The programme helps people, particularly those who arrive with violence related injuries, to access support services and provides non-judgemental support that continues after discharge.



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Some of the attendees at the meeting, including MP Rosie Cooper (third from right)

Business leaders join MPs in calling for better rail connectivity in West Lancs

‘Burscough Curves are restoration key to improving transport links in whole region’

Report by **Tom Martin**

BUSINESS leaders and cross-party politicians joined forces at a ‘round table’ event to call for better rail connectivity in Southport and West Lancashire.

Southport College hosted the meeting last week when the existing ‘transport challenges’ were discussed.

Some of the attendees included Southport’s Tory MP Damien Moore, West Lancashire’s Labour MP Rosie Cooper, South Ribble’s Tory MP Katherine Fletcher, Rachel Fitzgerald the Chief Executive Officer of Southport Business Improvement District (BID) and Patrick McLoughlin, chairman of Transport for the North.

There were also local councillors and

representatives from Sefton Council, West Lancashire Borough Council, Lancashire County Council and the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority.

There were two major focuses: restoring direct rail travel between Southport, Preston and Ormskirk, after the line was axed in the 1960s; and restoring direct rail travel between Southport and rail stations including Piccadilly to the south of Manchester City Centre, which are due to be lost this December.

Piccadilly is the only station in the North West that connects directly with every major place in Britain, and so the direct link to Southport is seen as crucial to encouraging people to travel to and from the resort.

MP Moore proposed that the December 2022 timetable presents opportunities for a Sunday service through to the airport, and for trains through to Stockport thus serving Piccadilly too, and the case for this was presented.

MP Moore said: “Strong connectivity is vital to bringing people to Southport and supporting not only our tourism industry, but indeed our wider business and education sectors, all of which is crucial to Levelling Up our town.

“It was fantastic to get such a wide range of important voices in one room together to discuss these issues and I am very excited that we now have the momentum and consensus together to really start making headway with these projects.”

The round table also focused on the Burscough Curves and a Leyland West station and discussed how the Curves could be the ‘epicentre of this transport connectivity for our whole region’ as tens of thousands of residents live within a short distance of the Ormskirk and Southport lines.

Ms Cooper added: “This was an invaluable opportunity for us to show Transport for the North that rail transport in our constituencies has for too long been ignored and overlooked and this must change.

“Since I became an MP, I have campaigned for the reopening of Burscough Curves, an Ormskirk bypass, and a railway station for Skelmersdale.

“These projects will result in an incredible boost to the local economy and have a massive social impact.

“This is especially true for Skelmersdale, a town of more than 40,000 that doesn’t have a train station!”

Proposals to build 169 homes at site of former Yew Tree Farm in village are set for go-ahead

By **Henry James**

A RESERVED matters planning application to build 169 homes at the site of the former Yew Tree Farm at Higgins Lane in Burscough has been recommended for approval by officers at West Lancashire Council.

The application, which is asking for approval for the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of the development, has been submitted by Redrow Homes Limited and Crompton Property Developments Ltd.

The application will come in front of councillors of the Planning Committee on Thursday, April 21.

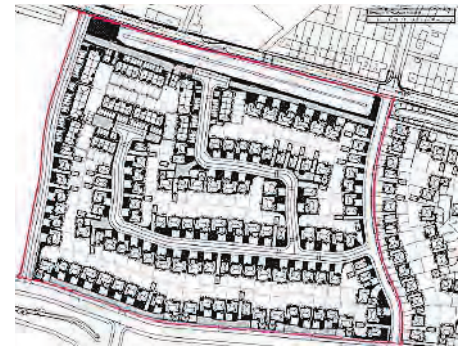
Outline planning permission has already been granted for residential development on the site.

The proposal includes a mix of one, two, three, four and five bedroomed terraced and detached houses as well as three blocks of two-storey apartments.

A total of 59 affordable dwellings, equating to 35%, will be located within the layout. Of these, 21 homes would be for shared ownership tenure and 38 would be for affordable rent.

Phase one and two of the detailed residential elements of the outline permission have already been approved and will deliver 398 dwellings. The current application proposes 169 dwellings, which results in a total of 567 dwellings across the site.

Burscough Flood Group has objected to the development as they believe it “will cause foul sewer flooding in New Lane,



A site layout of the proposals

through adding a load of 172 homes to UU’s foul sewer network.”

In planning documents for the meeting, the corporate director of place and community at West Lancashire Borough Council – Heidi McDougall wrote: “I consider the layout, scale, proportions and design of the proposed dwellings to be acceptable and the scheme would not adversely impact on neighbouring amenity of surrounding properties.

“I am also satisfied that the scheme will not have a significant impact on highway safety and adequate parking will be provided.

“I consider that sufficient interface distances have been achieved in order to protect neighbouring residential amenity.

“Affordable housing has been provided on this phase and drainage proposals are in accordance with the overall strategy for the wider site.

“I am of the opinion that the proposal complies with the relevant policies in the National Planning Policy Framework, the Local Plan, the Burscough Parish Neighbourhood Plan and the Yew Tree Farm Masterplan.”

Plan to build homes on site of closed factory recommended for approval

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within the settlement boundary, and is a highly sustainable site for housing, being within easy walking distance of Burscough centre.

“I conclude that the loss of an employment site is acceptable in that the redevelopment for residential use offers the most effective use of the land in line with the National Planning Policy Framework.

“There is no requirement

for affordable housing on site given vacant building credit.

“The Highway Authority considers that the proposed development would see a reduction of both cars and HGV visits to the site in comparison with the site’s lawful industrial use and that the proposed development would not have a severe impact on highway capacity or highway safety.

“I consider that the drainage arrangements will result

in a significant reduction of surface runoff and reduce the impact of flooding in Orrell Lane and Crabtree Lane.

“The detailed requirements in respect of site layout, residential impacts, (including noise), contamination and ecology are acceptable.

“Whilst there is still a shortfall in informal open space provision, I consider that the qualitative improvements to open space around the canal, the improved ped-

estrian access into Burscough and the benefits to the redevelopment of the site for housing, particularly the improved appearance of the site on the edge of the settlement and the economic benefits of housing development and construction outweigh the slight harm to the requirements of EN3 (Provision of Green Infrastructure and Open Recreation Space [from the West Lancashire Local Plan.])”

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MP says working pensioners will soon face 'triple whammy'

'Thousands in West Lancs will be hit by soaring prices, tax rises and a real-terms cut to their state pension'

Report by **Henry James**

MP Rosie Cooper says retired people in West Lancashire who work to supplement their income are facing a "triple whammy of soaring prices, tax rises and a real-terms cut to their state pension."

The West Lancashire has commented following new analysis which shows that working pensioners could be an average of £1,400 worse off over the next two years.

A working pensioner earning the average salary, who is in receipt of the State Pension and liable to pay the Health and Social Care Levy, face a real-terms reduction in their income of £770 in 2022/23 and £622 in 2023/24, an almost £1,400 loss.

The analysis also shows the value of the State Pension is eroded in real-terms by nearly £300 next year and will still be lower in real-terms in 2023/24 even if it is uprated by 5.9%, the rate of inflation that is forecast for September 2022.

Ms Cooper said: "Thousands of retired people in West Lancashire work, to contribute to our communities or to supplement their state pension which is facing a real-terms cut this April.

"It's disgraceful that working pensioners are facing a triple whammy of soaring prices, tax rises and a real terms cut to their state pension."

A spokesperson for the Department for Work and



MP Rosie Cooper

Pensions said: "We recognise the pressures pensioners are facing with the cost of living and we are doing what we can to help.

"This includes supporting more than 11million pensioners with their energy bills through our Winter Fuel Payments, cutting fuel duty and we have uprated the State Pension, making the full yearly amount £2,300 higher than in 2010.

"We are also raising National Insurance thresholds so people keep more of what they earn and we have boosted the minimum wage by more than £1,000 a year for full-time workers.

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Former karate instructor who raped schoolgirl and woman, jailed for 14 years

By our **Court Reporter**

A FORMER karate instructor who raped a schoolgirl and a woman has been jailed for 14 years.

David Bottomley was described in court by one of his victims as “a monster” and a judge said that he had given a dishonest and devious account in his trial.

Bottomley, 58, from Banks, ran martial arts classes and also worked as a doorman in Southport. He was convicted of the attacks after a trial at Liverpool Crown Court in January and appeared for sentencing.

Robert Dudley, prosecuting, said in one incident Bottomley used a karate kick on the woman's jaw while wearing steel toe-capped boots.

His first victim did not tell anyone about what happened until other allegations against Bottomley emerged in 2017.

That was when his second victim, who was a schoolgirl at the time of the abuse, watched an episode of Crimewatch on TV.

Mr Dudley said when the presenter asked a question about knowing anyone who was sexually abused as a child or an abuser who has contact with children, “it triggered something in her.”

‘Bully and a coward’

She wrote a letter to her mum, whom she had never told before, and it was decided that she should contact the police.

When interviewed by officers she revealed that Bottomley raped her when she was about 12. The first victim then also made a complaint to the police.

Bottomley, of Hoole Lane, Banks, denied any wrongdoing, which meant his victims had to give evidence at a trial in January.

He was convicted of the historic sex offence and

of assault causing actual bodily harm against the first woman. In a victim statement, Bottomley was described as “a bully and a coward.”

Bottomley was found guilty of rape, indecency with a child and two charges of indecent assault against the schoolgirl. He was acquitted of two other sex assaults on the schoolgirl and of three sex offences on two other girls.

Patrick Williamson, defending, said Bottomley's work history was ‘in essence of public service’ volunteering with Sefton Coast and Countryside Service, then at Southport YMCA, before he worked for five years for the Coastguard, in search and rescue teams, when he witnessed 13 deaths.

Mr Williamson said his client later joined the Prison Service as a security guard at HMP Kirkham, but was diagnosed with ‘complex PTSD’ due to what he saw as a coastguard, “witnessing both adults and children who had died.”

Judge Aubrey said he was satisfied Bottomley was a ‘violent and abusive’ man, whose sex attack on the woman left her feeling sick, violated and humiliated. He said on another occasion, he kicked her in the jaw.

Judge Aubrey said: “You had steel toe-capped boots on. She described it as being excruciatingly painful and thought you had broken her jaw.”

He said Bottomley raped and abused the schoolgirl and manipulated her by giving her money afterwards.

Judge Aubrey told Bottomley: “You have shown no remorse whatsoever,” and jailed him for a total of 14 years with an extended one year on licence as an offender of particular concern.

He was also ordered to sign on the Sex Offenders Register for life.



David Bottomley

Councillor lashes out at Rishi's Spring Statement

SKELMERSDALE County Cllr Julie Gibson has hit out at Rishi Sunak's recent Spring Budget announcement for doing little to support local people - especially, she says, for those living in poverty.

The chancellor's statement came amid a rapidly worsening cost-of-living crisis which is impacting with rising food prices and energy costs cited as the main drivers.

With inflation forecast to reach 7.4% this year, Cllr Gibson said measures announced in the statement will only make the cost-of-living crisis worse.

Cllr Gibson said: “There is nothing to help energy bills, nothing to support struggling pensioners, nothing to stop the worst fall in living standards since the 1950s and very little to soften petrol pain.”

“He has done nothing for those dependent on benefits, the very poorest, besides a small amount of extra cash for local authorities to dispense at their discretion. We are seeing increasing numbers of

people in work who are using foodbanks as figures from the TUC suggest that pay packets are now expected to fall in value by £11 a week this year.”

She continued: “Despite the chancellor's reluctant measures, the facts are that he is still taking money out of people's pockets with an increase in national insurance contributions, he could have properly scrapped his national insurance hike, but he didn't; he could have put a windfall tax on oil and gas producers to provide real support to households, but he didn't.”

She added: “If he can cut tax in 2024, he can cut it now and support the millions of people who will be forced into poverty.”

Chancellor Rishi Sunak defended his Spring Statement, saying: “I wish I could make sure we protect everyone against all aspects of rising inflation but it's impossible for anyone in my job to do that.”

“What we can do is make a difference where we can.”

Moor Hall placed seventh in website SquareMeal's Top 100 Restaurants in UK

AUGHTON'S Moor Hall restaurant has been named highly in a list of the Top 100 Restaurants in the UK put together by the website SquareMeal.

The West Lancashire venue on Prescott Road is placed seventh.

The entry for Moor Hall states: “Produce-driven menus and a strong focus on home-grown and locally sourced ingredients has led to an impressive and ever-evolving menu at Restaurant Moor Hall (our 2019 award winner), expertly headed up by Chef-Patron Mark Birchall.”

The Barn at Moor Hall, was awarded a coveted Michelin star in this year's Guide for Great Britain and Ireland.

In top spot is Somerset's Osip, which is the brainchild of chef Merlin Labron-Johnson.

Each of the top 100 results are a combination of SquareMeal's in-house critic-led opinions and thousands of diner votes. The SquareMeal website states: “It's this dual approach that makes our list incomparable, representing not only our professional opinion but thousands of real-life experiences that help to reinforce and bolster our final decisions.”

“It's no secret that Britain plays host to some incredible culinary talent. As a result, the top res-



Moor Hall

taurants in the UK created quite the conundrum.

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Burscough Scarecrow Festival will coincide with Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

ORGANISERS of the Burscough Scarecrow Festival have confirmed that this year's event will take place to coincide with the Queen's jubilee celebrations.

Residents are being encouraged to get their entries in early for the annual Scarecrow Competition and Duck Race to be in with a chance of being crowned the winners as part of the event.

Along with the traditional

Scarecrow Competition of 'best house, school, church and business,' a special new category has been announced to mark the Jubilee: 'Best royalty-themed scarecrow', with entrants in this category being encouraged to think as broad as they'd like.

A spokesperson for the Festival said: "No need to limit yourself to the royal family only! You could make a Freddie Mercury scarecrow, a Queen Bee one, a

Jim Royle one, or any other royalty-linked one!"

The festival will run from May 30 to June 5. Scarecrows will be available to view throughout the festival period, with winners due to be announced via Facebook on Sunday, June 5.

Meanwhile the Duck Race will take place on Sunday, June 5 at 12.30pm on the canal at Burscough Wharf, with a range of prizes being generously sponsored by Creative Kitchens.

LED streetlights and recycled asphalt will cut carbon footprint

Report by **Henry James**

LANCASHIRE County Council has revealed new plans to save thousands of tonnes of carbon by revolutionising the way that it maintains the roads.

According to a new report, the council's first Highways Decarbonisation Strategy reflects the county council's wider plans to transition Lancashire's economy away from carbon and address the biodiversity crisis.

Since 2009, the council has already reduced carbon emissions by more than 86,400 tonnes, and saved almost £40m in energy costs with measures such as converting streetlights to using LED lamps.

Further progress is being made with the introduction of new repair techniques such as recycling asphalt when resurfacing roads, which is predicted to save a further 267 tonnes of carbon in the next year.

The new strategy will provide a basis for saving carbon across all aspects of the council's highway maintenance operations, beginning with calculating its current carbon output to establish a baseline in order to map out a route to net zero.

Actions outlined in the report include:

- Training staff to be able to calculate the carbon output of materials over the lifecycle of a project in order to choose the lowest carbon option.

- Considering lower-carbon options when renewing items. For example, replacing internally lit bollards at pedestrian crossings with un-lit reflective bollards.

- Mapping energy efficiency of highways depots to target the most effective solutions such as LED



The existing road surface being recycled and re-laid, helping to avoid new asphalt being needed

lighting, and improved insulation.

- Making use of in-vehicle technology to influence behaviour and encourage staff to conserve fuel when driving as part of their job.

- Where possible, moving away from using petrol and diesel fuelled vehicles towards alternatives such as electric or hydrogen.

- Working with universities to develop new technology – such as drones capable of carrying out bridge inspections, replacing the need for carbon-intensive access equipment and road closures.

Phil Durnell, director of highways and transport, said: "Lancashire County Council is currently looking at how we can reduce our carbon emissions in everything we do and this strategy is the starting point for making further savings as part of our highway maintenance operations."

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Hospital consultant fundraises to raise awareness of autism

A CONSULTANT Paediatrician and Paediatric Endocrinologist at Southport and Ormskirk NHS Trust whose son is autistic has raised £2,312 through a fundraiser set up to raise awareness of the condition.

Prof May Ng, her husband Eugene Toh, their children Brendan, who has been diagnosed with autism, Corinne and Darren Toh and Muffin their pet therapy dog took on the National Autistic Society (NAS) Super 60 Challenge by doing a 60km run in six days during Autism Awareness Month (April) to raise funds for NAS and help change attitudes and transform lives of autistic people.

Their fundraiser was held to coincide with World Autism Day, earlier this month.

Brendan's journey began when he was two years old and diagnosed with severe autism. He remained non-verbal until he was nine years and today he still struggles with speech, learning disabilities, severe anxiety, self harm and aspects of daily living.

Prof May Ng said: "His and ours is a journey where we will continue to support him and raise awareness for better autism inclusion, autism support and

autism awareness.

"Our family are long-term members of NAS and have raised more than £10,000 over the years for autism research and awareness.

"We have received many generous donations from the UK, Australia, France, Germany, Thailand, Philippines, Malaysia and Singapore. We hope to continue raising funds throughout April."

Prof Ng has written a book called A Journey with Brendan.

It documents a 10-year life journey through the 'wilderness of diagnosis, interventions, advice and the continuing battle for support with practical advice and resources for families living with autism.'

More than 500 of her books have been donated to schools and families in the UK, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Singapore and Philippines.

Professor Ng commented: "Please support and donate if you are able to. Donations will go directly to the National Autistic Society through the JustGiving page."

For more information, or to add to their donations, visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mayng>



Dr May Ng with her family

Special events to mark Queen's Platinum Jubilee

By Henry James

THREE special events will celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this late spring Bank Holiday - and everyone is invited to join the fun.

The festivities start at Coronation Park in Ormskirk on Thursday, June 2 where from midday to 4pm, children can enjoy donkey rides, a funfair and fabulous street entertainers the Acro Chaps.

The Skelmersdale Prize Band will be there to provide some rousing musical interludes and local dance troupes will get crowds up on their feet.

Local school pupils who have been busy designing a new crown for the Queen will be taking part in a joyful

parade, with prizes for the best designs on the day. There will also be various stalls to browse through and great food and drink for everyone to enjoy.

Later that day, the celebrations move to Beacon Country Park as the borough will join communities across the UK lighting beacons for the Jubilee. People can join the procession from 8.45pm up to the Beacon where a bagpiper will serenade those gathered with the Beacon being lit at 9.09pm.

On Friday, June 3, the fun continues when the council join the Friends of Tawd Valley to host a community festival at Tawd Valley Park.

Between midday and 4pm, a wonderful array of talented music and dance groups will perform in the Park's Amphitheatre (which people can get to from Yewdale). Children's entertainers will make

the day even more exciting along with many other stalls and displays for visitors to enjoy.

Simon Kirby, head of West Lancashire Borough Council's wellbeing and place services, said: "I'm really looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Jubilee and I hope you will all come and enjoy the fantastic activities we have planned."

"The extra spring bank holiday is a lovely bonus and will allow us to gather as a community with friends and family, relax and have some fun while celebrating the incredible service the Queen has given to us throughout her reign."

Schedule in brief:

- June 2 - Ormskirk Coronation Park Community Event 12 noon until 4pm
- June 2 - Lighting of the



Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth

Beacon, Beacon Country Park, 8.45pm until 9.10pm
- June 3 - Skelmersdale Amphitheatre Community Event noon to 4pm

If people are interested in being a stall-holder or exhibitor at these events they should email Beacon.Park@west-lancs.gov.uk for more details.

MP stands up to street harassment

TO mark international anti-street harassment week earlier this month, Rosie Cooper MP threw her support behind a campaign launched by L'Oréal Paris and Suzy Lamplugh Trust which

aims to stamp out sexual harassment for good.

West Lancashire MP Rosie Cooper personally undertook 'upstander training' which provides participants with a simple

and proven toolkit to safely intervene if they witness sexual harassment in a public place.

Sexual harassment has been identified as one of the most important issues facing women and

girls worldwide.

In 2021, an Ipsos survey in the UK, revealed that 80% of women have experienced harassment in public spaces, while 42% have witnessed at least one incident.



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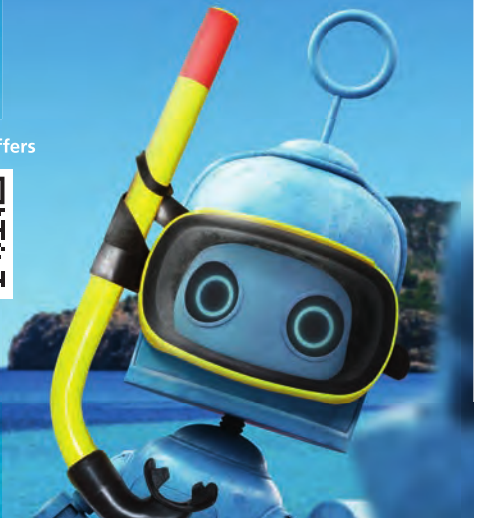
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Creative pupils have artwork displayed inside city centre shop

Report by **Henry James**

YOUNGSTERS at primary schools in West Lancashire have been participating in an a project to celebrate the recent International Women's Day.

Organised by the Shine programme, groups at Eccleston Primary School, Mere Brow Primary and Bickerstaffe Primary School designed posters to inspire staff and customers at an exhibition in John Lewis Liverpool.

The West Lancashire-based Shine programme was set up by Hayley Coggins and aims to build confidence and self-esteem through expressive arts and holistic well-being.

Winners were chosen from each school to have their designs printed into professional postcards.

Their collection was run alongside Hayley's collection of upcycled dresses, created using wrappers of Cadbury, Lindt and Ferrero Rocher.

This unique collection was designed to honour the work of 'Cadbury's Angels' who sent more than 30,000 care packages to soldiers serving on the WW1 front line.

Children and their families from Shine attended the store to see the exhibition.

Hayley said: "I've always been passionate about inspiring young people through their journey of mindfulness and personal growth."

"It's the greatest feeling to know that my Shine programme is making such a positive difference to the lives of so many children and young people."

"It was so heart-warming to see the beaming smiles of our Shine groups as they entered John Lewis, walking so tall with their families supporting them!"

"The feedback from families has been incredible and I am so grateful to all for their continued support. It is an absolute privilege to see how Shine can bring out hidden potential in children of all ages."



Hayley is shown with the youngsters who took part in the scheme and their artwork

Young people have say on crime prevention

LANCASHIRE'S Police and Crime Commissioner Andrew Snowden has thanked those involved in the Lancashire Youth Commission for their work as they reported back their key findings based on the opinions of young people in Lancashire, during their 'big conversation' research.



Andrew Snowden

As well as feeding back the peer-to-peer engagement of the six key priorities through the workshops, the LYC have also been involved in campaigns including around county lines, serious violence, and the visit of the Knife Angel.

Speaking after the event the Commissioner said: "It's been really good to hear from the Lancashire Youth Commission as they presented back to partners from across policing and criminal justice and it was also a great opportunity to thank them on behalf of my office for the work that they have done in the last 18 months, during challenging circumstances through the pandemic."

"It is encouraging to see young people getting involved and working to make their communities as safe as they can be."

The Lancashire Youth Commission on Crime Reduction and Prevention (LYC) was established in late 2020, with 32 young people involved in delivering the peer-led project with youth engagement experts Leaders Unlocked.

Overall, members of the LYC have reached more than 2,400 young people across Lancashire through in-person and online workshops, outreach stands, virtual surveys and social media engagement.

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The West Lancashire Footpath Group on their litter pick

Walking group combine stroll with litter-pick!

WEST Lancashire Footpath Group joined the Keep Britain Tidy campaign and organised a litter pick as part of their six mile walk from Hunter's Hill Quarry on Sunday, April 10.

A spokesperson for the West Lancashire Footpath Group said: "A big thank you to those members who took part and to the delightful young lady from the Potting Shed at Cedar Farm who relieved us of the bags for disposal."

Businesses shortlisted for 2022 Red Rose Awards

THE shortlist for the 2022 Red Rose Awards, which celebrates Lancashire's businesses, has been announced and includes entries from West Lancashire.

This year's event will take place just six months after the 2021 ceremony - which was delayed due to lockdown - but that hasn't stopped organisations from across Lancashire flooding the nominations process with good news stories.

The Luxury Copywriter in Ormskirk is shortlisted for the Micro Business Award; Artz for All, Skelmersdale is in the running for the Not-for-profit Award; and Acumen Financial Partnership, Burscough is shortlisted for the Small Business Award.

A new category created specifically to recognise micro businesses has proven especially popular and so has the tourism category - despite that being one of the most severely-affected industries for more than the last two years.

Each shortlisted organisation now has the opportunity to present their case in person to a panel of hand-picked, independent judges and sponsors at a special event on April 27 and 28.

The judges will then pick a winner in each of the 22 categories, which cover sectors and sizes of business, as well as specific achievements such as customer service excellence and going green.

Richard Slater, publisher of Lancashire Business View which organises the Red Rose Awards, said: "The feedback to these awards has been tremendous and we are in awe at the feel-good stories we have seen."

"It's not been a full year since our last ceremony and we appreciate that many businesses are still in the difficult recovery period, but it is clear that this has done nothing to dampen the enthusiasm Lancashire has for celebrating all that is good about living and working in the red rose county."



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Fundraising Champions at Brookfield Park Primary School

Primary school launches 'long-term partnership' with Alder Hey's charity

Report by **Henry James**

BROOKFIELD Park Primary School in Skelmersdale is going into a 'long-term partnership' with Alder Hey Children's Charity.

It held a special launch assembly with the whole school to learn about the work of the charity.

Cath Harding, head of community fundraising at Alder Hey Children's Charity, shared a film with the children and spoke about the vital work that they do with lifesaving treatments and pioneering research.

During the assembly the school announced their Alder Hey Fundraising Champions from Years One to Six, who were presented with an Oli the Oliphant badge to wear with pride!

David Brown, chair of Brookfield Park's Governing Board, said: "As part of our ethos of respect and



David Brown, Cath Harding and Sarah-Jane Whiteside

kindness to all, and in our pursuit of building citizenship, we are proud to create a long term partnership with Alder Hey Children's Charity.

"Our children and their families have shown fantastic engagement in this launch event and I'm sure our Charity Champions will be leading their classes to generate lots of fun fundraising activities."

At the end of the assembly, Cath Harding and Oli the Oliphant announced the Easter Raffle Prize winners who received a range of Easter hampers and a family pass from Farmer Ted's Adventure Farm.

Brookfield Park's families had generously donated Easter prizes during a non-uniform day last month and bought raffle tickets to raise funds for Alder Hey.

Sarah-Jane Whiteside, Brookfield Park's headteacher, presented Cath Harding with a cheque for £352.

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The plans to replace Ormskirk bus station.

Bus stations encourage more people to use public transport

West Lancashire Borough Council claim that by getting rid of Ormskirk Bus Station the “Eastern Gateway will help bring more people to the town centre.”
Yet bus stations are very good at encouraging the use of public transport.
They always have a waiting room and toilets; usually an information office, display screens and a cafe plus a rest room for drivers.
As for Ormskirk train station, a zero cost aid to connecting it to the town would be to unlock the gate between the platform and the foot-

path.
In Germany this summer any resident will be able to pay the equivalent of £7 a month to travel on all local buses plus the trains, trams and underground in their district.
Their government wants to reduce reliance on oil and encourage the use of public transport.
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ACROSS

- Scottish lakes (5)
- Washington DC river (7)
- UK Conservation charity (8,5)
- Defensive item of armour (6)
- Former currency of Spain (6)
- Author of East of Eden (4,9)
- Putrid, rotten (6)
- Skin medical condition (6)
- Wife of Henry VIII (9,4)
- Shakespeare play (7)
- Paste used for fixing glass in window frames (5)

DOWN

- Breathing organs (5)
- Lure someone into a relationship using a false online persona (7)
- Capital of South Korea (5)
- Edith ____, former French singer (4)
- Tenth of earnings given to the church (5)
- Pale purple (5)
- Stage used for a fashion show (7)
- Old-fashioned (5)
- One of the seven deadly sins (5)
- Ancient Palestinian city (7)
- Graceful, stylish (7)
- V-shaped cut in an edge for keeping score or record (5)
- Perfect, most suitable (5)
- Move slowly, carefully and quietly (5)
- An impressive display (5)
- Cylindrical tower used for storing grain (4)

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£100 bet leads man to lose eight stone - and become an athlete!

By Henry James

WHEN his family bet him £100 that he wouldn't be able to stay sober for 50 days, a Skelmersdale man proved them very wrong - not only quitting binge-drinking, but also dropping eight stone and qualifying for an international athletic competition.

During a party, Ste Bolton's family noticed that Ste was consuming more alcohol and more quickly than others at the table. He took it to heart when two of his relatives jokingly challenged him to go 50 days without a drink in return for a £100 wager... and he achieved 100 days sober!

Ste also joined Bannatyne Health Club in Skelmersdale and went on to drop from 20 to 12 stone and was selected to represent Great Britain at Bilbao Bizkaia 2022 European Multisport Triathlon Championship.

After losing his mother and sister to cancer, Ste was struggling with his mental health and says he used binge-drinking with friends and his Sunday league football team as a coping mechanism.

But, in a bid to win the bet, Ste threw himself into training at the health club, which he says turned around his mental health and transformed his life. In the four years since making that life-changing bet, Ste has become a daily visitor to the club at the Northway Centre and has become firm friends with staff members and other members. He receives one-to-one support from the club's personal trainers Nathan Wharton, Joe Madden and Brandon Wharton, who have helped guide him towards his goals.

While training at the club, he met fellow member Ian Roberts, head coach for the Prime Triathlon Team, who has helped and encouraged Ste to take part in events and competitions, including the Iron



Ste in one of his old T-shirts with Phill Nuttall, Bannatyne Skelmersdale general manager, and team members

Man, cycling time trials, du and tri-athlons.

Ste, a warehouse manager for Amazon, said: "Four years ago, I would never have pictured myself as a daily gym-goer. I can honestly say joining Bannatyne Health Club has been the best thing I could have done, not only for my physical health, but also my mental health.

"I've stopped regularly binge drinking and taking the anti-depressants that I was on for many years.

"It's crazy when you think all of this has happened because of a daft £100 bet.

"I really undervalued the impact that exercise has on mental health. But it's not just the actual exercise that has helped me, it's being a member at the club. When the club was closed because of Covid restrictions it was really tough for me. I could still do some of my training, but I really missed the social side of it."

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This is a change in the law for which family lawyers have campaigned for many years and is long overdue. Most family lawyers (and particularly those who are a member of an organisation called Resolution, which I am) have felt that given the reason for the breakdown of the marriage so very rarely has an effect on the outcome of associated financial applications or children act applications, that forcing clients to rely on one spouses “fault” to obtain a divorce, only served to increase antagonism between the parties.

Divorce is never going to be stress free. It is, after all, the unravelling of a family dynamic and the start of a new family relationship. There will usually still be issues concerning children and finances to resolve. However taking one cause for argument – the grounds for divorce – out of the equation can only be a good thing and one to be welcomed.

If these are issues that are affecting you, please contact me, Alexandra Kenyon at Dickinson Parker Hill.

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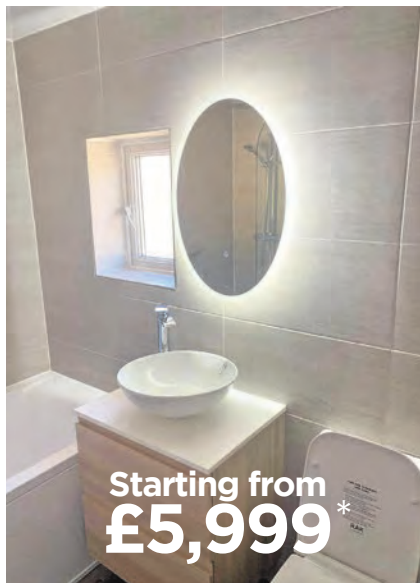
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Teenager encourages others to take steps towards dream job

By Henry James

A SKELMERSDALE teenager is encouraging more young people to explore life at university, after a careers advice programme helped her make steps towards her dream job.

Jahnaya Alexander, 18, is set to start at Edge Hill University later this year, after support from Future U's mentoring scheme helped her decide on her next steps after leaving college.

Jahnaya took part in a Future U mentoring scheme back in 2019 when she was at Up Holland High School, which encouraged her to think about her future after leaving school and the education routes to get the qualifications needed for her dream job as PE teacher.

Jahnaya admits she lacked focus before starting the Future U mentoring programme, where peers who have started university worked with her on an eight-week programme designed to help her think about a future career and the steps that she would need to start towards her dream role.

Jahnaya said: "I hadn't really thought about my future before the mentoring scheme. If anything, I was just planning on going straight into work as soon as I could, however after hearing about the sessions everything changed for me."

"I was teaching some dance at the time, but I never saw it as a career and would have laughed if you'd told me I could go to university back then."

The mentoring sessions included team building activities, future mapping and hearing about the different pathways to work, including the benefits of a university degree.

For Jahnaya, the sessions not only helped her to clarify her future aspirations but with a goal of qualifying for college and then university her



Jahnaya Alexander

schoolwork improved too. Teachers found that Jahnaya was more driven as she completed her work and exam revision to get the results she needed to start a Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sports, Fitness and Personal Training at West Lancashire College.

She continued: "Over the mentoring sessions, I began to realise I could be successful at what I wanted to do. I decided that working towards becoming a qualified PE teacher would let me help people and inspire others."

Three years after the mentoring, Jahnaya now has a conditional offer to study Sport and Physical Education at Edge Hill University in September. In addition to finding her own career path, Jahnaya is now looking to give back to the community, hoping to become a Future U mentor for similar students who are unsure of their next steps.

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Puppy abandoned in city park being cared for by animal charity

A PUPPY which had to have its leg amputated after being found in a park with severe injuries will be taken under the care of Southport, Ormskirk & District Animal Centre.

The 12-week old female lurcher pup was discovered late at night in Norris Green park in Liverpool on Wednesday, March 30 by a member of the public and taken to a nearby vet.

RSPCA animal rescue officer Katie Glenn said: "She had severe injuries to her back legs including an open fracture to her right back leg which needed immediate veterinary treatment.

"Sadly, vets felt her leg couldn't be saved and we had to make the difficult decision to amputate."

The puppy - now named Sally - is still recovering with the RSPCA and plans are in place to send her to Southport, Ormskirk & District Animal Centre, who will help find her a foster home to



Sally is now recovering from her operation

recover in. Sally, who was not microchipped and wasn't wearing a collar or ID tag, will remain in RSPCA care while she recovers.

RSPCA officers are, in the meantime, investigating and have appealed to anyone with information to get in touch.

Katie added: "We believe Sally may have been injured in a road accident or similar and that her owners may have panicked when faced with a potentially hefty vet bill.

"We understand that times are hard and that families are facing the fall-out of Covid and alarming cost of living rises, and we fear this could cause

financial difficulties for many, including those with pets.

"We'd urge owners never to abandon their pet but to ask for help."

Spring booster Covid jabs get underway

SPRING booster Covid-19 vaccines have begun in West Lancashire as the biggest vaccination programme in NHS history moves to the next phase.

The NHS Covid-19 vaccination programme is inviting eligible people in the region to come forward for their fourth dose,

around six months after they had their booster jab.

People are able to book their appointment in a number of ways - either through the national booking service, by calling 119 or walking in at any vaccine site.

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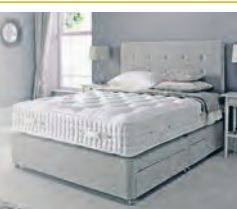
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Teen wins award for shining a light on 'Covid heroes'

Report by **Henry James**

A BURSCOUGH teenager has been named as the High Sheriff of Lancashire's Young Citizen of the Year 2022 for the work she has done to recognise unsung Covid heroes.

Emma Aggrey, 17, topped a list of more than 30 inspiring young people from across the county who have made a real difference in their communities in the last 12 months.

The announcement was made during an award ceremony held on March 23 at Lancashire Police Headquarters, in Hutton.

The awards were presented by Lancashire Constabulary's DCC Sacha Hatchett, the High Sheriff of Lancashire and Russell Millhouse from the University of Central Lancashire.

Emma, who is a Young Explorer Scout Leader was praised by the judges for her dedication to proposing #ThankYouDay to show appreciation for unsung Covid heroes.

During lockdown Emma was touched by the sacrifices that many made and helped organise the UK wide 'Thank You Day' as a way of giving back.

She also delivered online scouting sessions to children online via Zoom and she is also involved nationally in promoting diversity in the field of outdoor activities.

The High Sheriff also presented a bravery award to Bradley Jacobsen, aged 16, from Skelmersdale, who was recognised after saving the life of a man who was sleeping rough in Liverpool city centre.

Bradley called an ambulance when he realised



Emma Aggrey (left), with Jacob Reddy (third place), the High Sheriff and Bradley Jacobson, who won a bravery award

the man wasn't breathing and performed life saving CPR on him while following instructions from the 999 operator.

He was also praised for his volunteering work with his local lost and found pets Facebook page.

Lancashire Constabulary's DCC Sacha Hatchett said: "It has been incredible to learn of the achievements and goodwill of so many young Lancastrians and the outstanding contributions they have made to their communities."

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As well as the owlet and two eggs, a look inside the nest box also revealed six dead mice. This shows how busy the parents have been in stocking up with a food supply to feed their new young, which will stay in the nest box for the next 30 to 40 days before leaving. Their exit coincides with more foliage on the trees and so they will remain better hidden, while they are still dependent on their parents for food.

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Skelmersdale on the attack against St Helens. Picture by Neville Berkeley

Skem hit six past St Helens Town to reach quarter-final of the Macron Cup

Adegbenro makes up for early penalty miss to score
hat-trick and send his side through to last eight

Skelmersdale United 6
St Helens Town 1

SKELMERDALE United hit St Helen's Town for six to reach the Macron Cup quarter-finals, **writes Kevin Panther.**

Manager Paul McNally's was delayed on the way to the Macron Cup tie on Tuesday, April 12, arriving just seven minutes before half time.

He would not have been too impressed as his backroom staff detailed the game so far.

United had gone behind in the 11th minute when Ben Cartwright struck a firm free kick from 25 yards out that nestled in the bottom corner and put the underdogs in front.

And just before McNally arrived, Mini Adegbenro had missed a penalty.

But within two minutes of McNally's arrival, Skem drew level when a brilliant through ball from Michael Grogan set Adegbenro free and he made no mistake this time firing past Town's former Burscough goalkeeper Dave Jones to draw the sides level.

Two minutes later and again it was Adegbenro who fired Skelmersdale into the lead from close range. It was 3-1 just before half time when

Danny Mitchley somehow managed to find the back of the net through a crowded goalmouth.

From being a goal down, United had scored three goals after McNally's arrival in a whirlwind four minutes that knocked the stuffing out of a valiant St Helens side, who defied their league form and had given United a fright for the first 40 minutes of the half.

Skelmersdale added a fourth goal on 53 minutes, at the same time effectively killing the game off, when Kenny Strickland found himself unmarked in the box and responded by smashing the ball home in a manner that has been something of a trademark of his over the years.

The in-form Adegbenro completed his hat trick with 80 minutes on the clock, out pacing the defence to fire home for his first three goal haul in United colours.

Skelmersdale completed the scoring three minutes from time as Baba Conteh did well to find space inside the box to score United's sixth.

It was a good work out for United who now look forward to playing a Macron Cup quarter final as well as a promotion play-off match against opponents yet to be decided.

Burscough boss quits despite promising first season in charge

BURSCOUGH manager Paul Bowes has confirmed he has left the club.

The Linnets boss, who guided his side to a seventh placed finish this season, has stepped down along with Luke Denson.

Posting on Twitter, Paul said: "Time has come for me to leave Burscough. The ambitions of myself and Luke are ahead of where the club want to be. I wish the club all the best and thank them for the opportunity."

In response, Burscough's official Twitter account posted: "Thank you Paul and Luke. A great start to your managerial careers and well done. To confirm, your resignations were neither requested nor necessary. We asked you to reconsider, but so be it."

Bowes was appointed by the Linnets in September last year. Across the 40 game season, he helped Burscough pick up 17 wins and eight draws as they finished with 59 points.



Paul Bowes



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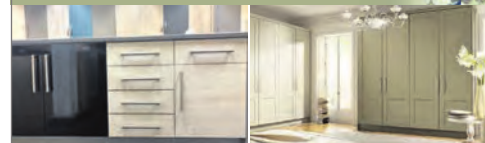
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DEATHS

ALLEN
GEORGE

Peacefully in hospital
on 30th March 2022 aged
77 years

Much loved Husband of Margaret.
Much loved dad of Kathryn, Michael and the late Jessica.
Dear Father-in-law to Richard and Lindsey and devoted Grandad of Henry, Thomas, Freddie and Lewis.
Loving Brother of Gina and Brother in law of Tony, Pat and Mike .
Much loved uncle of Sarah, Zoe, Andrew, David and Vicky.

George will be sadly missed by all his family and all who knew him.

Funeral service and committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Thursday 28th April at 1:00pm.
Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for the Stroke Association.

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McCARTHY
MICHAEL
"MIKE"

Passed away Peacefully
on the 7th April.

Loving partner to Helen.
Devoted Dad to Cara,
Father in law to Stuart.
Loving Grandad to Caitlin and Finn.
Father to Ciaran

Mike will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Funeral Service will be held at West Lincs Crematorium on Wednesday 27th April at 1pm

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FOREMAN
PAUL
STEPHEN

5th April 2022
Peacefully at home,
aged 70 years



Amazing Dad to Carl, Nicola and Jayne.
Loving Grandad to Adam, Sophie, Matthew, Amber and Kirsty.
Paul will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Funeral Service will take place at St Philip and St Paul with Wesley Church, Southport on Wednesday 27th April 2022 at 11am followed by interment at Liverpool Road Cemetery at 12noon.

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Aged 84 Years

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Devoted nan to Robert, David and Jonathan and proud great-grandmother to Bronte and Anastasia.
Eldest sister to George, Frankie, Henry and John. She will be dearly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral service to take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Tuesday 26th April 2022 at 12 Noon.
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DEATHS

BRIDSON
ROBERT
HENRY
(BOB)

21st March 2022
Aged 69 Years

Much loved Dad to Rob and Danny.
Special Brother to Allie, Elaine, Shelly, Ann and the late Les and Brian.
Bob will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Service at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street, Burscough, L40 7SP on Thursday 5th May 2022 at 1:00pm. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being gratefully received for Dementia UK.

Enquiries to Graham J Clegg Funeral Services, 36 Westway, Maghull, L31 0AE. Telephone: 0151 351 4323.

DEATHS

RIMMER
ANN

After a short illness
Ann passed away
peacefully at home
on Friday
1st April 2022
surrounded by
her family
aged 77 years

Dearly loved Wife of the late David.
Much loved Mum of Debbie, Lisa, David, and Mum in law to Gaynor.
Loving Nannie to Alex, Nicole, Chelsea, Erin, Harry, and a cherished great Nannie.
Ann will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

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The Funeral service will take place at Emmanuel Church, on Cambridge Road on Wednesday 27th April at 1pm, followed by burial at Duke Street Cemetery.
Family flowers only, any donations gratefully appreciated for Queenscourt Hospice

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DEATHS

SARGENT
KENNETH
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Died peacefully at his
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on April 7th
aged 82

He was the much loved Father of Mark and Kent and a devoted Grandad of Ayla, Maya, Fox and Forest.

He will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

A funeral service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Tuesday 26th of April at 11am.
Family flowers only please.

Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU Tel: 01704 897770

PRIOR
EILEEN

After a long illness
aged 77 years

Adored Wife of Vincent. Loving Mother of Deborah and Andrew and now reunited in love with Vincent Jnr. Devoted Grandmother to her only Grandchild, Paul. Dear Sister to Betty and Gerry and Johnny and Joyce.
She will be sadly missed and always remembered for her constant love and kindness, her friendship and courage.

Funeral Service will take place at St Marie's RC Church, Southport on Friday 29th April 2022 at 2.45 pm, followed by Committal at West Lancashire Crematorium.
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Service at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street, Burscough, L40 7SP on Friday 29th April 2022 at 3:00pm. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being gratefully received for Queenscourt Hospice.

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Telephone: 0151 351 4323.

GROOM ERIC GEORGE

30th March 2022

After a short illness
peacefully at home
aged 94 years

Much loved Husband of Vera. Eric will be sadly missed by all his family, friends and all who knew him.

Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Thursday 28th April 2022 at 10am. Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for The Salvation Army.

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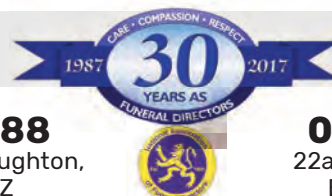
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The Healey by Caton is inspired by the Austin-Healey 100 of the 1950s

WHAT'S the earliest you can get away with mentioning Christmas?

I think the cheekiest pre-festive plug I've ever come across was an eatery in Ainsdale, which once plugged the fact, mid-August, that it was now taking bookings for its Christmas dinners, but I'm going to go even earlier than that and pick the Wednesday just after Easter. Largely because I've just decided what Father Christmas can bring me in his sleigh this year.

That's because a tiny company in Coventry has just decided to answer a question that virtually no one has asked; what would the Austin-Healey 100 look like if it was rebuilt today, using modern tech?

The result is a sinewy new sports car that's bob-on in terms of Fifties proportions. Caton, the company in question, has created something that anyone with a copy of the Observer's Book of Cars, circa 1957, would recognise as a Big Healey, but garnished with details that mark it out as something that's had a lot of effort put into it. Personally, I think it looks stunning.

Of course, reinvented classic cars are nothing new. Jaguar will happily sell you an E-type that's completely faithful to the original, or, as Harry and Meghan discovered on their wedding day, one that's had its XK straight six stripped out and replaced with an electric motor. There are companies too that will sell you Jensen Interceptors with modern-day Chevrolet V8s beneath their bonnets and uprated brakes, steering and suspension, but this isn't a restoration on steroids.

This is more like what another British company, called RML, has done, when they imagined what a 1950s Ferrari 250 SWB if it was kitted out with Apple CarPlay. They're clearly inspired by the old cars, but they're not restorations – they're hand-built playthings for people bored by the Ferrari 296 GTB and Lotus Emira.

DACIA'S latest people-mover has been given just one star in the latest round of European crash tests. Euro NCAP said that the lack of a seatbelt reminder for the rear-most passengers in the seven-seater was part of the reason for the model's poor performance. It was better news for the DS 4 and Honda's HR-V, both of which picked up four stars during the safety group's latest assessments. Go to euroncap.com to see how your car did in the tests.

BMW has facelifted its X7 off-roader



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In the Healey's case you get a brand-new chassis, albeit with all of the original's weak points ironed out, an uprated four-cylinder engine based on the original's block, chucking 185bhp at the wire wheels at the back, a marvellously rorty side-exit exhaust and a guarantee that only 24 other people, in the entire world, will have the same car as you. It even has a delightfully pompous name; it is, ladies and gentleman, the Healey by Caton, which makes it sound like a high-end bootmaker. They could have called it the Caton-Healey 100 and it still would have had the right old-world charm to it, but Healey by Caton lets you know from the off that you can't afford it.

Speaking of which, it's £474,000. Whichever way you put it, that's an awful lot for a draughty two-seater with less power than a Ford Fiesta ST, especially when you consider that you can have an Austin-Healey 100, the car that inspired it, for less than a tenth of the price.

So as a practical proposition it makes no sense whatsoever, costs a fortune and will still leave you soaked when it rains, but I still want one because it's a hand-crafted reboot of one of the best-looking cars ever made. I don't suppose sleighs have room for cars on them, do they?

David Simister, Editor - Classic Car Weekly

The Dacia Jogger has not been praised for its safety by Euro NCAP



BMW has given its biggest off-roader a makeover. The X7 is now being offered with updated cosmetic tweaks, including new 23-inch alloy wheels, while inside there's a new instrument panel, revised seats and more generous equipment levels. There's a choice of three different trim levels and a range of six-cylinder and V8 engines, all assisted by mild hybrid technology. The updated X7 is available to order now, with prices starting at £80,980.



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64	FIAT 500 POP 3DR	in white, 24k.....	£4750
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63	TOYOTA AYGO I-MODE	in silver.....	£4395
62	FIAT QUBO LIFE 1.4	in red metallic, 36k.....	£4295
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12	CITROEN C1	in red, full MOT.....	£2495

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